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Serial No. 09/392,270)) Examiner Trinh Nguyen
Filed: September 9, 1999))
For: APPARATUS AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING A VEHICLE FRAME ASSEMBLY	Attorney Docket 1-21036)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D. C. 20231

RESPONSE

Honorable Sir:

Reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

REMARKS

The Examiner noted the existence of co-pending application Serial No. 09/408,747 and requested that the applicant show that the conflicting applications were commonly owned at the time the invention in this application was made. The present application and application Serial No. 09/408,747 were commonly owned by the assignee of this application, Dana Corporation, at the time the invention in this application was made. The provisional double patenting rejection will be addressed if necessary.

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